## **CALFRESH REQUEST FOR POLICY INTERPRETATION**

PI# 17-88

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete items 1 - 10 on the form. Use a separate form for each policy interpretation request. If additional space is needed, please use the second page. Retain a copy for your records and submit via email to CalFresh-PI@dss.ca.gov.

Please note: the policy interpretation provided is based on the unique set of facts presented and should not be assumed to apply in all scenarios.

1.	RESPONSE NEEDE	D DUE TO:	5. DATE OF REQUEST: NEED RESPONSE BY:	
	✓ Policy/Requ	lation Interpretation	10/23/2017 10/30/2017	
	☐ QC ☐ Other:		6. COUNTY/ORGANIZATION: Ventura	
			7. SUBJECT: Student Eligibility- Cal Grants	
2.	REQUESTOR NAME	:	8. REFERENCES: (Include ACL/ACIN, court cases, etc. in references) NOTE: All requests must have a regulation cite(s) and/or a reference(s)	
3.	PHONE NO.:	EMAIL:		
4.	REGULATION CITE(S): ACL 17-05			
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QUESTION: (INCLUDE SCENARIO IF NEEDED FOR CLARITY):

ACL 17-05 states: "Students attending a community college are receiving a Cal Grant A and meet the Federal CalWORKs requirements....."

However per California State Student Aid Commission "If you receive a Cal Grant A but decide to attend a California Community College first, your award will be held in reserve for up to two years until you transfer to a four-year college (as a Cal Grant recipient, your community college fees will be waived and community colleges don't charge tuition). If you receive a Cal Grant B, you can use your \$1,672 living allowance to help pay for books and other community college costs" http://www.csac.ca.gov/doc.asp?id=1372

If Cal Grant A is not available to community college students is receiving a Cal Grant and meeting the Federal CalWORKs requirements the only requisites?

REQUESTOR'S PROPOSED ANSWER:

Community college students receiving a Cal Grant and meeting the Federal CalWORKs requirements are eligible.

11. STATE POLICY RESPONSE (CFPB USE ONLY):

Per ACL 17-05, Cal Grant offers 4 different types of grants: Cal Grant A, B, B Access and C, only some of which receive TANF funds. Those which receive TANF funds and are eligible for the exemption are Cal Grant A and B. Thus, students receiving Cal Grant A or B and meet the Federal CalWORKs requirement are exempt and are eligible for benefits.

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DATE RECEIVED:	DATE RESPONDED TO COUNTY/ALJ:			
	11/9/2017 JR			